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Applicant:

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For

ELECTRODE PLATE UNIT FOR RECHARGEABLE BATTERY AND

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Examiner: Susy TSANG-FOSTER

MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 11, 2002, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 11, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE DRAWINGS

In accordance with the Examiner's request, attached hereto is a drawing sheet containing Figs. 16A, 16B, and 17 corresponding to the drawing sheet as originally filed with the present application on September 18, 2000, but with the requested change to Fig. 17

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